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ALA Membership Alert:

A Membership Resolution will be submitted at Membership Meeting I, supporting the reappointment of Bessie Boehm Moore to NCLIS. (Background information in LOR May/June 1988 issue). Monday, July 11 at 8:00pm! (AMK)

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Programming in celebration of Older American's Month 1988. Photo courtesy: Service to the Aging/Brooklyn Public Library.

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Dear LOR Subscribers,

Believe it or not with this issue Library Outreach Reporter celebrates its 1st anniversary. Many thanks to all of you who have written in with support and interest over the past year. I hope to have the chance to meet with many of you at the upcoming ALA Conference in New Orleans.

Each issue of LOR increases in size. I have learned a great deal over the past year. How to manage a newsletter, keep subscribers and advertisers interested, and of course be true to the goals and objectives which I set forth in creating LOR. There is of course much work to be done.

In the last issue I urged you to write to your Senators to see that Bessie Boehm Moore, currently the Vice-Chair of NCLIS, be reappointed. All indications are there she will not be. But all is not lost! Please attend the first membership meeting at ALA. I will introduce a resolution for ALA membership and Council support for her reappointment. Attend and let your voice be heard!

With this issue we begin to feature articles on library service to jails/correctional institutions. There are still areas of library service which we have not yet covered and we need you to let us know what they are. Remember we encourage you to contribute and let us know what you are doing. Sharing via LOR is the best way of communicating that I know.

I would like to make a request to all of you that will be reading this issue. We have been able to keep the price of LOR to an affordable level because of our advertisers. Their support and interest in seeing that LOR succeeds has been as strong as many of our subscribers. They need to know that you are reading their ads in LOR. If you're at ALA stop by at any of their booths and tell them that you are pleased that they advertise in LOR. Thanks.

The special report section of this issue is devoted to library service to the aging. As librarians we do not have a strong record in library service to this age group. According to Dr. Betty Turock's recent survey in The Library Quarterly, only about 7% of libraries have special programs for the aging. Recent research which I have done also indicates that of this 7% almost 80% of the programs are for the homebound, institutionalized, or impaired elderly. The articles selected give the range of current services for 100% of the elderly population.

Again, I want to thank you for the support and interest in me and Library Outreach Reporter. I continue to look forward to your communicating to me on matters in the field that interest you.

LIBRARIES AS SELF-HELP CENTERS  
Stephen Likosky

When I think of libraries as self-help centers, I feel that it is important to examine the concept on two levels: first, self-help as a philosophy or rationale, and secondly, its implementation, of which there are three components:

- Structuring the library to incorporate the self-help aspect;
- Selecting materials, both print and nonprint, to encourage self-help; and
- Developing programming to support the self-help effort.

In terms of philosophy or rationale, I find it can be valuable to step back and examine the context or overall environment in which we are working. (What I have to say relates mainly to city or county jails, because that is where most of my experience lies.) In the broader picture, we are in the midst of the pendulum swing favoring "punishment" or taking the so-called hardline towards prisoners over the rehabilitation mode. This translates into the low priority being given to general libraries within the facilities, for let us not forget the fact, there is no general mandate within Corrections covering the establishment or operation of a library to serve the library and informational needs of jail inmates. This is perhaps the single greatest obstacle we have preventing us from providing minimal standards of general library service.

In addition to the low priority given libraries, local facilities have traditionally provided little or no funding in support of our library efforts; few if any have professional librarians on staff; assignments to the library area of Corrections Officers is often haphazard, with a high rate of turnover. Indeed, shortage of staff can even mean a facility is unable to operate a general library at all for periods of time. In New York City, when I first began visiting the jails eight years ago, almost every one had a large general library set up with a steady Corrections Officer in charge. But, then, due to overcrowding and other factors, space was usurped for transformation into dorms, and the library officers for the most part reassigned. Now to establish library service in a facility, we need to negotiate from ground zero -- a space, commitment of a officer's time, etc. This then is the context in which we are operating--a not very supportive one.

This brings us to the concept of self-help as one response to the situation. The self-help aspect of libraries is a means of:

- maximizing effective use of a jail library, and
- encouraging the resident to develop some of the motivations and incentive which will be helpful to him or her in surviving upon release, or making more productive use of his or her time in a state institution, if sentenced.

Now, the ideology of self-help is an important one, especially in terms of selling the idea of library service to jail administrators. With the library-as-self-help center concept, we can say to the administration: by means of our library program, we can offer inmates the opportunity to educate and improve themselves, broaden their horizons, or, at the very least, become involved with books to occupy their time. Self-help here sounds like a "neutral" concept as opposed the "rehabilitation," which implies a heavy responsibility on the part of the jail keepers. And in this lies its attraction -- for self-help places responsibility on the shoulders of the inmates, which is of course where any true rehabilitation efforts must begin. We play our role by providing some valuable opportunities to the inmate in this rehabilitative process. And what administrator will say "no" to an inmate's efforts at self-improvement? Pulling oneself up by bootstraps is after all part of the "Great American Way." (End of Part I)

(Due to space considerations this article will be continued in the September/October 1988 issue.)

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#### WHAT IS HAPPENING IN PRISON Library Service Internationally

##### What Services and Resources are Available?

-Countries vary widely. They range from providing well-established services to newly established; from inadequate services to none provided but under study. Some have no library service available in prisons.

##### What are the Needs of Prison Libraries?

-Establishment of the services and resources in prisons without them and improvement of service where it now exists.

##### What can the IFLA Working Group on Prison Library Service do to Develop the Service?

- Present international programs and seminars.
- Establish a clearinghouse of activities, ideas and issues.
- Publish articles on activities and issues.
- Develop general standards.
- Issue bibliographies.

(adapted from the IFLA brochure on "Prison Library Service." For further information contact: Phyllis I. Dalton, Chair, IFLA, Working Group on Prison Library Service, 205 East Harmon Ave. #801, Las Vegas, NV 89109. Tel: (702) 732-4793.

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BOOKMOBILE SERVICE/PATCHOGUE-MEDFORD LIBRARY  
Sally Rein

From the early 1900's until 1981, the Patchogue (NY) Library was located on Lake Street. Demographically, this was accessible to the vast majority of the residents; but with the incorporation of Medford, and the establishment of a new library building within the Patchogue Business District, the centrality of this facility was altered. To alleviate this problem and to create outreach opportunities, the library initiated a bookmobile service in September 1987.

The bookmobile is the property of the Suffolk (NY) Coop. Library System, of which we are a member. Three of the systems 54 libraries use the bookmobile one day a week, and jointly share in its expenses. The driver's salary is paid by each individual library. Our library uses the bookmobile on Mondays to cover a 30 mile route during which 5 forty-minute stops are made. We visit a low-income senior citizen housing complex, and make two stops in the most populated northern area of the district. These latter, and most remote locations, have the highest circulation statistics and the largest number of visitors.

The bookmobile houses approximately 4,000 volumes -- the adult fiction, young adult books and children's picture books being the most popular. Also included are non-fiction and a large print collection. Requests for reserves and inter-library loan are taken from patrons and expedited.

As bookmobile librarian, I have educated the patrons to use my services if they have reference inquiries beyond bookmobile sources. When I return to the main library, I research their questions and have the information for them on the following week. Interesting questions have run the gamut from kitchen remodeling to the Green Party Movement to whether there is a statue of the Indian Chief Tecumseh at the United States Military Academy, West Point.

The bookmobile is staffed by a class-one licensed driver, a clerk and librarian. Due to low attendance in the morning, the driver and clerk are the only personnel on board; but in the afternoon, a librarian is also in attendance. In my absence, other librarians have filled in for me, and have enjoyed the experience. All came back with helpful suggestions for improving the service.

Bookmobile usage varies greatly depending on geographic locations. In many areas it is the only source of free reading material for hundreds of miles. For our district, which is fortunate enough to have a large public library, it serves as a convenience for those not ideally situated near the main source. In addition, the outreach image that the bookmobile portrays is a tremendous public relations asset for our library. **Sally Rein** is Outreach Librarian at the Patchogue-Medford Library. 54-60 East Main St., Patchogue, NY 11722. Tel: (516) 654-4700.

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NEW PROGRAM FOR SPECIAL NEEDS CHILDREN  
John L. Hopkins

Many regular Brooklyn Public Library users, particularly those with young children, are already familiar with an innovative program called The Child's Place: a special area at eleven libraries set aside for preschoolers, their parents, teachers and other care-givers. The Child's Place offers workshops, books and other resources on child-rearing, as well as special activities, book, toys and games for preschoolers themselves.

Recently a Child's Place with a difference opened in the Flatlands branch. The services, facilities and materials are all geared to the child with special needs, either physical, emotional or developmental. The children served range from infant to age eight. The program is overseen by librarian Margaret Tice.

Flatlands was chosen because it is wheelchair accessible. In order to serve better the needs of this part of the community, the whole staff at the branch has been given additional training, which was enthusiastically received. The new Child's Place is funded by a Coordinated Outreach Services Grant from New York State.

Classes from schools which serve youngsters with disabilities visit The Child's Place regularly for activities which include story-telling, sing-alongs, games and crafts. In some classes, each child now has a library card, with which he or she checks out a book at the end of the program, to be returned on their next visit.

Can a new service be judged a success after only a few months in operation? One look at small faces filled with joy and enthusiasm as they sing along with Ms. Tice answers that question.

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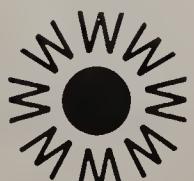
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## A MULTI-PURPOSE SENIOR CENTER -- ONE COMMUNITY'S EXPERIENCE

Carol Rickert

Mary Jo Zeller

Senior Centers have grown to play an ever-increasing role in the community network serving the elderly. It is estimated that some 10,000 senior centers are in place across the country. This attests to the effectiveness of this service delivery system. Park Place Senior Center in Arlington, IL, is designated as a "Multi-Purpose Senior Center."

What makes Park Place unique is its organizational structure of multiple community partnerships. Eight agencies representing local government, non-profit, and private-for-profit organizations all are permanently housed in the same location, Park Place. By locating all available senior services in one location, the acceptability and the accessibility of services has been enhanced. In essence, "one stop shopping" for seniors.

Some of the linkages which exist between the agencies are more sharing of information, increases of interagency referral and follow-up, joint agency staff training, and joint agency purchase of service. Park Place demonstrates that a senior center with a broad-based sponsorship of several diverse community organizations can cooperatively provide a wide array of senior services, in one location, with costs being shared.

One of the most unique community partnerships which exists at the center, involves the Community Services Department of the Arlington Heights Library. The library has proven to be a wealth of resources since the inception of the senior center. This specific outreach program began a mere five years ago with only three book trucks crammed with a variety of reading materials in an empty room designated as the center's "Library." Since then, it has evolved into offering a full spectrum of programs, services, and materials for not only the senior patrons themselves, but also for the center's professional staff who serve them.

The materials which are presently housed on two ranges of shelving at the center's library number approximately 6,000 and include a variety of subjects and formats. There are books in large print, records, cassettes, paperbacks, best sellers, newspapers, talking books, magazines, and even assistive devices such as magnifiers which are available for loan.

Most of the materials selected and purchased by the library for the center's collection enhance the dynamic senior programs. There are fitness, painting, and ceramics classes, a Walking Club, lawn bowling tourneys, computer courses, film programs, a drama troupe, and various discussion groups -- to name a few activities. In addition, there is an extensive array of professional materials geared especially for the

center's staff. Included here are resources on gerontology and assorted timely issues such as home health care, living wills, target marketing, medical and legal topics, geriatrics, and other social service trends. All of these materials are readily accessible since the center's library is open daily. The library is staffed by the Library Assistant of the Community Services Department, who is co-located at the center. This staff member provides reference and reader's advisory, information and referral, circulation assistance, and guidance in the general use of the library.

In addition to staffing the library at the center, the Library Assistant is also an important and integral part of the center's professional staff. Attending staff meetings and training sessions at the center bridges the gap across agency lines. Cooperation and communications are enhanced as well as the interagency referral and follow-up.

Coinciding with this, is joint planning -- for both individual agency programs and center-wide activities. The library plays a very active role in both spheres. The library emphasizes the educational and informational aspects of its programs. To date, the library has sponsored such on-going programs as the Great Books Discussion Group, book reviews, beginners' and advanced computer classes, the annual Consumer Fair, an Investment Club, weekly film and video showings, travelogs, and the ever popular "Remembering When" programs based on the materials produced by Bi-Folkal Productions.

Two successful Park Place events which are center-wide include the annual Volunteer Recognition Ceremony and the Center's Anniversary "Fun Fest." This year two new center-wide activities were added: a Cultural Arts Fair featuring the diverse "works of art" produced by the center's seniors and a fundraiser/sale in which each agency helped to raise money for the center's activities. The rewards for these activities are great -- the image it portrays is positive.

The library's presence in the Multi-Purpose Senior Center has greatly enhanced its commitment and concern for the elderly. Through the use of outstationed staff, programs, and materials, the library has increased its visibility to its constituents as well as attaining a new level of cooperation among community agencies. The phrase that ALA Past President, E.J. Josey so eloquently coined during his term in office seems especially appropriate for the Arlington Heights community. Along with other agencies at Park Place, the Arlington Heights Memorial Library has, indeed, played a dynamic role in "forging coalitions for the public good."

Carol Rickert is Head, Community Services Department, Arlington Heights Public Library, and Mary Jo Zeller is Director, Park Place Senior Center. Contact Carol at: 500 N. Dunton, Arlington Heights, IL 60004. Tel (312) 392-0100 and Mary Jo at: 306 W. Park, Arlington Heights, IL 60005.

SERVING OLDER ADULTS WITH PROGRAMS AND VISITS  
Lynne Martin Erickson

Two librarians in Wisconsin have spent the last 12 years trying to make it easy for libraries to reach out to the older adults in their communities.

In 1976 the Wisconsin Division for Library Services granted Library Services and Construction Act Funds (LSCA) to the UW-Madison Library School for the Bi-Folkal Project proposed by Kathryn Leide and Lynne Martin Erickson. With Dr. Margaret Monroe as project advisor, the two produced six packages of multi-media and multi-sensory materials to be used in reminiscence programming with older adults. Copies of the packages were given to Wisconsin public library systems and training sessions were provided for librarians and others programming with older adults.

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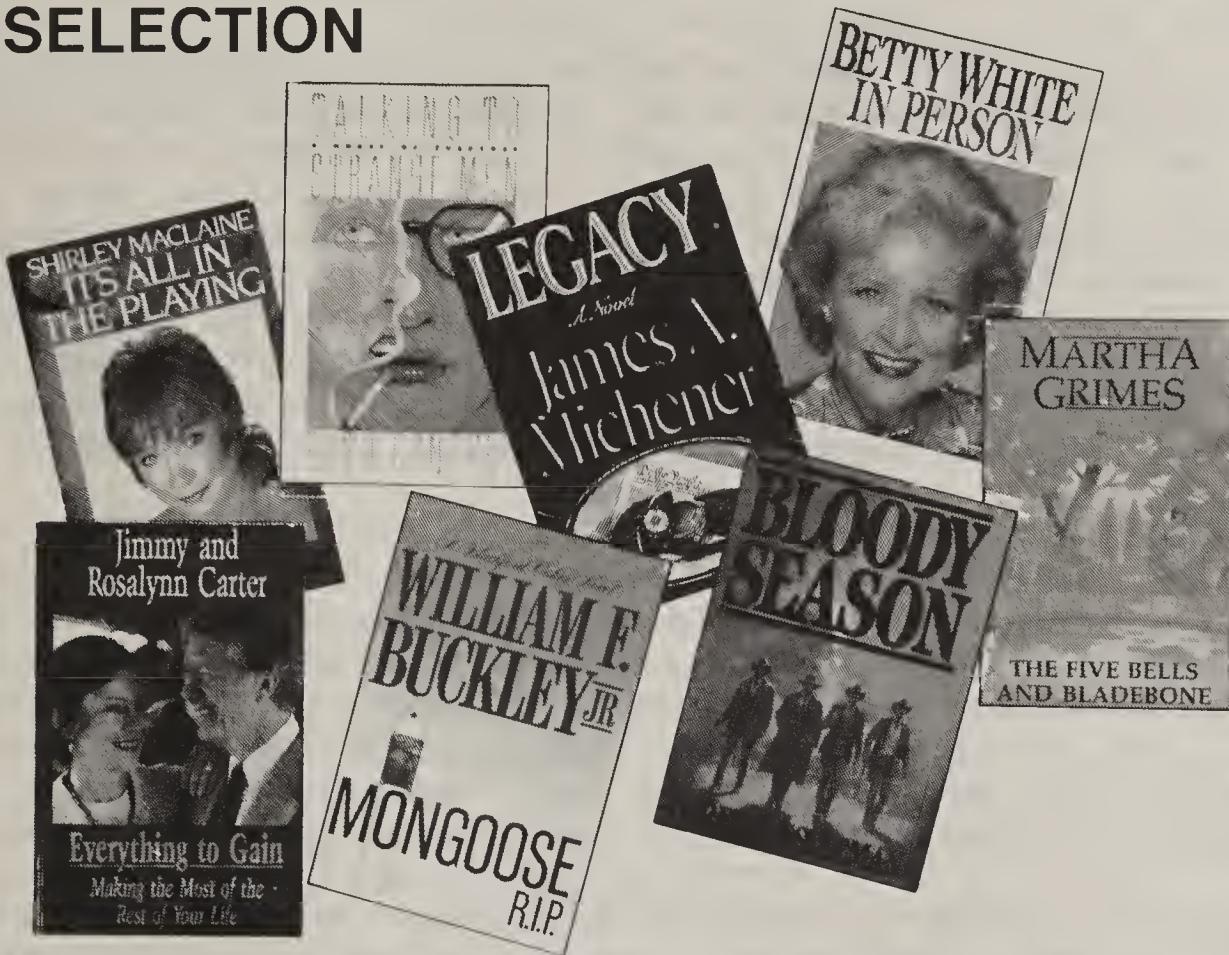
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CENTER ON AGING LIBRARY & INFORMATION CENTER  
Mary Jo Brazil

El Camino Hospital is a 468-bed acute general district hospital located in Mountain View, California. As the community has "matured," a phenomenon referred to as "aging in place" has evolved; that is, as residents retire, many decide not to relocate out of the area but instead to spend their retirement years in the same community. Residents aged 65 and older currently comprise 9% of the hospital district's population. In an effort to meet the needs of this aging population, the hospital created the "Center on Aging" which provides a variety of services and classes for local older adults, their families and caregivers.

The Center on Aging Library and Information Center (COA LInC) serves as a central source of information on aging and aging-related issues for both health professionals and the lay public. Established in 1986 as part of the Center on Aging, COA LInC serves professionals working with older adults, library users seeking information and researchers needing to locate highly focused information for and about older adults.

The collection is comprised of books (over 900 volumes), videotapes, journals and newsletters, pamphlets and clippings on a wide variety of topics related to aging such as: healthy aging, caregiving in the home, retirement, selection of a nursing home, diseases of aging and issues for older women.

Many of the COA LInC patrons need information about and referral to hospital services and community providers who target services to older adults and dependent elders and their families and caregivers. We maintain community resource files and assist people in finding support groups, caregiver classes, senior organizations, counseling, home health care and in-home support.

The library is staffed by a gerontology librarian who can help research questions about aging and health issues. COA LInC is open to the public free of charge. Check-out privileges and photocopying are available for a minimum fee. In addition, patrons can request computer searches on age and health-related topics. A modest fee is charged for compiling bibliographies and information packages. As a service to the public, we established a small bookstore on a few library shelves.

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VOLUNTEERING TO SERVE THE ELDERLY  
Marilyn Nickelsburg

Designing programs for elders can be a learning experience as well as rewarding for professional librarians. However, when one does this as a volunteer, a new dimension is added to the process and one learns about what volunteers face in doing programs and the difficulty of finding appropriate material to create a program.

As a library consultant for special populations, I advocate for services to the elderly and encourage librarians to program for this age group. I wanted to learn more about read-aloud programs as a type of programming for people in group living arrangements. I contacted a retirement center and volunteered to read-aloud to people one night a week.

Using some materials from the Seattle Public Library, I designed some read-aloud programs and conducted 12 sessions. What I learned ranged from how audiences reacted to the materials selected, to how difficult it is to find appropriate materials, to what can be expected of a volunteer.

Some of the pieces chosen were too long; some were difficult to follow while listening, although they read well; and that discussion of the reading is as important as what is being read. In designing this type of program, I would suggest that the readings be kept simple, relate to areas of interest within the group, and that discussion be a major component of the read-aloud program.

As a volunteer, I learned that people in group housing really enjoy someone from the outside coming in and providing mental stimulation and a change of pace from their ordinary routine. Also my audience had definite likes and dislikes and when asked, politely told me what they enjoyed and did not enjoy.

In evaluating the reading choices, it is helpful to understand some of the comments made in a discussion setting and that this can help guide selection of additional reading materials. The group's reaction or discussion often guided my decisions about choosing articles or chapters of books to read aloud. If a volunteer is expected to select material and conduct discussions, some guidance and training will help the volunteer feel more comfortable with the process.

The readings prompted a great deal of reminiscence during the discussion. This aspect of the discussion became a pleasurable part of the experience for both myself and the participants. What I learned made this volunteer experience something I would like to repeat again.

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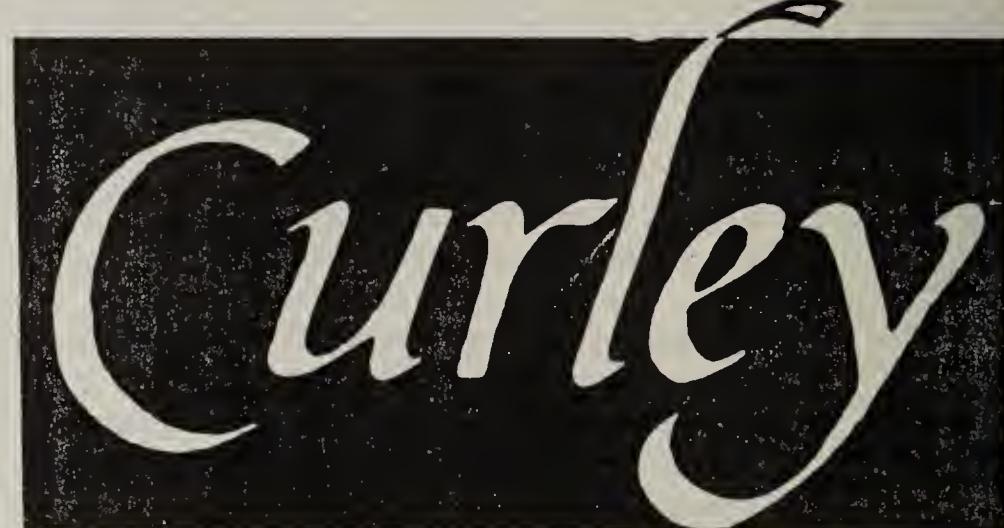
Librarians in Central PA were recently awakened to the needs of older Americans and how libraries can better serve them. Thanks to the aid of LSCA Title I funds from the State Library, public librarians attended a regional workshop on "Serving the Older Adult Library User," presented by Dr. Betty Turock, Richard Ezell, and Tom Shaw.

Betty Turock (Rutgers Univ.), first had participants play a game in which they played the part of an older adult. After setting their priorities players drew chance cards to see what life would deal out. Their emotional reactions were recorded. Dr. Turock later shared the results of a survey of 518 public libraries done by Rutgers in 1986. It revealed that special resources such as talking books were the most offered service for seniors but that little was being done for the well/healthy older adult library patron. Only 47% of libraries promoted any of their services to older adults.

Richard Ezell, (Conacocheague Library), kept everyone awake telling stories which he shares regularly with senior citizens in his area. His telling of the "Three Billy Goats Gruff" and "Casey at the Bat" were the big hits of the day.

Tom Shaw, (Wilkinsburg Library), gave practical tips on a variety of outreach services to seniors.

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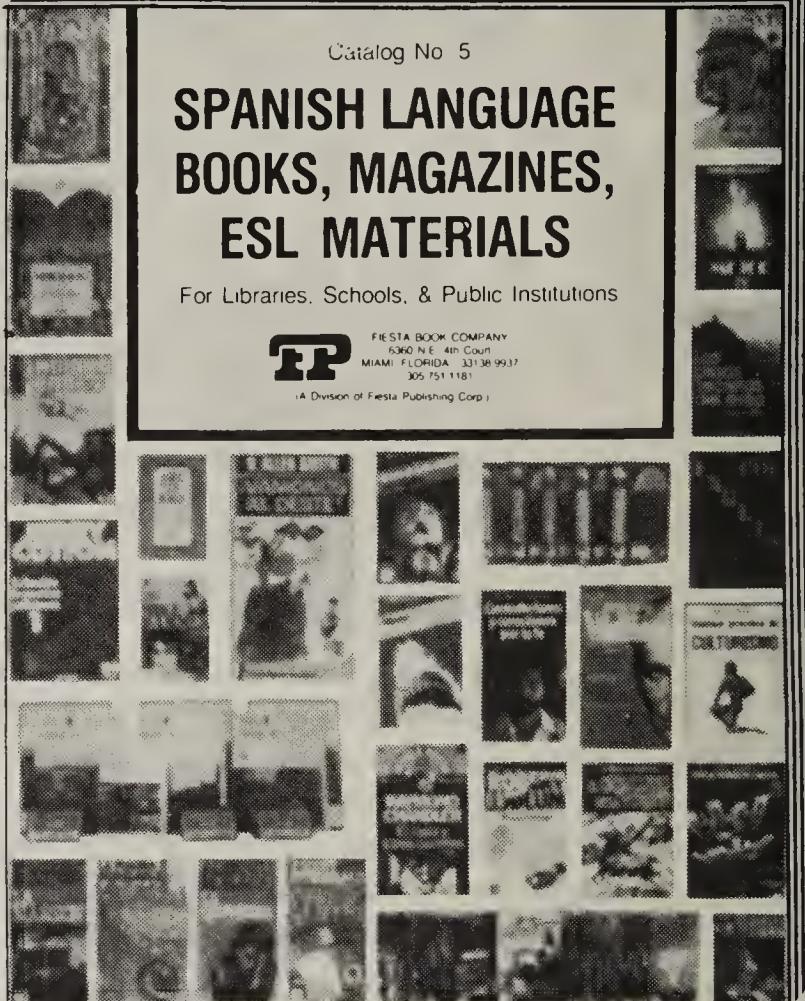
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